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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

As we welcome the new year, the state is poised to begin two significant highway construction projects that will demand the same hard work and cooperation that were so essential to last year's successes along the H-1 freeway.

The H-1 Task Force has proven itself time and again to be a useful forum for determining the best solutions available. I would like to applaud and thank each of you who have performed an active role. As you know, I am retiring as director of transportation effective this month. The governor has appointed my deputy Brian Minaai (see photo below) as director designate. Brian and the Highway staff will continue to work with you on the remainder of this project.

Currently, we are gearing up for the widening of the Punahou Street off-ramp and resurfacing of Kalaniana'ole Highway, which includes the installation of two new water lines. With careful scheduling and clear public communication efforts by the HDOT, we are confident that both of these projects will be completed quickly with the least amount of impact on the driving public as possible.

However, convenience for motorists must sometimes be weighed against noise and safety concerns for area residents. That is why the HDOT is holding a public information meeting on Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Kalani High School cafeteria. The purpose of the meeting will be to provide the public with the opportunity to offer input on whether work should be performed during daytime or nighttime hours. I invite all those who will be affected by the project to take part.

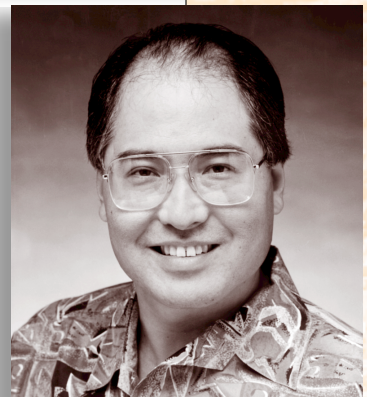
In addition, watch for our third newspaper tabloid, which will be published prior to the start of the Kalaniana'ole Highway and Punahou Street off-ramp projects. The tabloid will contain detailed information on each ongoing and upcoming project with up-to-date construction timelines. Together with this monthly newsletter, the H-1 Hotline and our web site, we hope to provide motorists with sufficient information to allow them to access our highways efficiently and safely in 2001.

Sincerely,



Kazu Hayashida
Director of Transportation

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GAS LINE WORK TO BEGIN ON KALANIANA'OLE HIGHWAY

Though it originally began in July 2000, work on the Kalaniana'ole Highway resurfacing and water line project was postponed at the request of the Board of Water Supply. The project will begin again in January.

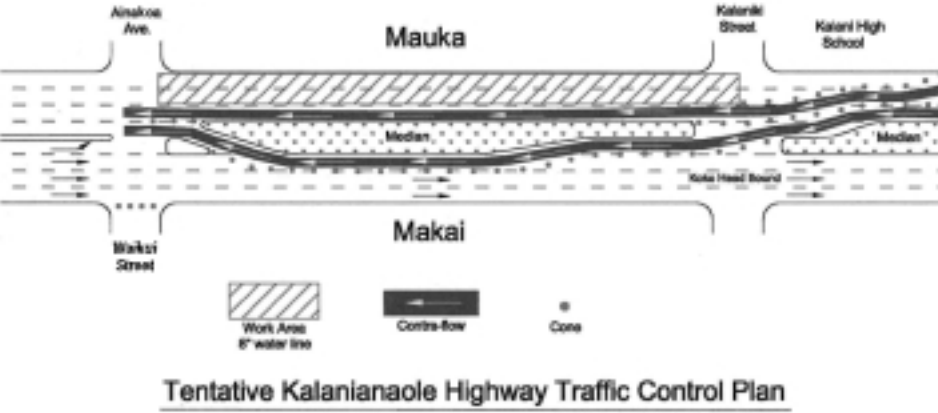
Two new water mains will be installed prior to resurfacing. To maintain water service to the residents on the mauka side of Kalaniana'ole Highway, an 8-inch water main will be installed. For residents on the makai side of the

highway, a 16-inch water main will be installed.

Work will begin first on the 8-inch water main between Ainakoa Avenue and Laukahi Street, in the mauka westbound lane. In addition, Gasco will install a new gas line from Ainakoa Avenue to West Hind Drive. This gas line work may begin in January 2001.

The re-paving portion of the project includes cold planing and re-paving from Ainakoa Avenue to West Hind Drive, as well as reconstruction of weakened pavement and sidewalk areas, construction of bike lanes and curb ramps, improvements to guardrails and drainage, new signs and pavement markings.

Currently, daytime work is being proposed for this project (at left, see tentative traffic control plan). The public is invited to attend a public information meeting on Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Kalani High School cafeteria to discuss the pros and cons of utilizing nighttime work.



H-1 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS TIMELINE

2000

- **Ongoing:**
- Seismic Retrofitting—Kapiolani Interchange Off-Ramp and Main Grade Separation Structure (Project nearly complete)
- Ongoing Re-Paving of H-1 On- and Off-Ramps and Work on Frontage Roads and Cross Streets (To be completed October 2001)
- Wai'alae Avenue Landscaping (Completed)
- Seismic Retrofitting—Lunalilo-Vineyard and Makiki Off-Ramps and Palama separation (To be completed May 2001)

2001

Jan

- H-1 Lighting—Additional Work to Replace Lights on 7 Overpasses
- Wai'alae Bike Lane Improvements (tentative)
- Punahou Off-Ramp Widening

Feb

- Kalaniana'ole Highway Resurfacing

Mar

JANUARY SCHEDULE OF H-1 PROJECTS

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DAYS / HOURS	LOCATION	PROJECT	TRAFFIC IMPACT
Sunday-Thursday 9 p.m.-5 a.m.	H-1, between Lunalilo and Punchbowl Streets	Seismic Retrofit/ Paving Work	Median lane closures in both directions (with possible additional lane closures in both directions beginning at 10 p.m.)
10 p.m.-5 a.m.	Vineyard, Lunalilo, Miller, Wilder and Kinau Streets	Barrier Upgrades	Possible additional lane closures in both directions
Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Bingham St., between Punahou and Isenberg Streets (Anticipated completion Jan. 5)	Paving Work	Block closure; local traffic allowed
	Lunalilo St., between Ernest and Keeaumoku Streets	Water Line Work/ Paving Work	Block closure; local traffic allowed
	Lunalilo/Pensacola Street intersection	Water Line Work	Multiple lane closures at the intersection
	Metcalf St., between Alexander St. and the McCully/Dole intersection	Water Line Work/ ADA Work	Periodic street closures; local traffic allowed
	Intermittent on- and off-ramps along the H-1 (including both Kapiolani Blvd. ramps beginning Jan. 8)	Various Projects	Ramp closures
	Ward Ave., from Kinalua Pl. to Kinau St. (beginning Jan. 8)	Water Line Work	Lane closures
Jan. 11 and 12 (tentative) 9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Keeaumoku St. mauka approach to H-1 overpass	Paving Work	Lane closures
Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	Kapiolani Blvd., west, between Old Wai'alae Rd. and King St.; and South King St., east, at Kapiolani Blvd. intersection	Seismic Retrofit	Possible lane closure
	Harding Ave., east, between Kapahulu and 1st Avenues	Seismic Retrofit	Possible lane closures